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THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 16, 1918.



Then join in hands, brave Americans all, By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall.

OUR ALWAYS ALERT RED CROSS CHAP-TER.

IT should always be a matter of pride in Fairmont that the city's Red Cross work was on the jump before actual necessity stood with empty hands waiting to be served. Before the first draft contingent went marching down Cleveland avenue on the way to the railway station the Red Cross headquarters room was the scene of general activity. This has not been true of the large majority of the small inland cities. It is very natural that the cities of the east which witnessed the passing of the troop trains to the coast, the assembling of soldiers from all points north, south, east and west, the splendid marching columns swinging by, should be inspired and thrilled to instant action. But with the exception of the brief encampment here of the First West Virginia infantry, Fairmont has had | ter. none of the stirring pageantry of a nation going to war.

Fairmont has never seen an aeroplane for war service. has never seen a field piece, has never seen an army truck. Ohio is now making extraordinary efforts to finish a bad piece of road so that the army equipment and ambulances may pass quietly on their way to the coast. All of these things move people to action. We had none of it, and the chances are will have none of it, and yet the city has been loyal and instant in response.

Our Red Cross chapter has provided enough supplies in advance to take care of every wounded West Virginia boy if such supplies were to be confined to our own alone. Our women were quick to see the situation and determined that Fairmont should not lag behind. Thousands and thousands of surgical dressings have been made and expressed to Washington. Thousands of hospital garments have been finished and sent on. Every garment sent out is worth at least \$1.00; convalescent robes, operating robes and pajama suits are valued at \$2.50. The surgical dressings have required hundreds of dollars worth of gauze. Wool is worth \$3.60 per pound, and our chapter has used thousands of pounds of it since last August.

The Red Cross funds are exhausted. Fairmont people and auxiliary districts are not going to see this enormous work falter after such tremendous accomplishment. We have begun nobly and the day that peace is declared will see the most active part of Fairmont's Red Cross career close nobly.

GERMANY'S POLITICAL DESIGNS.

AVING annexed the Russian Baltic provinces, compelled the Emperor of Austria to pass under the yoke, grabbed the petroleum fields of Rumania, overrun the Ukraine so that its rich agricultural districts and busy cities are practically Prussian dependencies, if Emperor William could stop the war even by voluntarily taking his armies out of France and Belgium and granting the Italians some of the Austrian territory they claim, he would be able to boast that he is the most successful conqueror in history. Others overran more territory, but none ever

won as rich a prize. It is an amazing situation that has unfolded in central Europe within the past few weeks. It is, however, not a surprise. Andre Cheradame, a French publicist of much distinction, warned his countrymen years ago what was going on in the back of the heads of the Potsdam plotters, but not even the French took him seriously. About eighteen months ago political and economic developments took such a turn in central Europe that even the most heedless could not help but see the tendency. One of the first of President Wilson's statements with regard to the situation in Europe was to warn Americans of the kaiser's ambitious project to Prussianize central Europe, the Balkan country and western Asia.

It is surprising, however, that the German government

RUFF STUFF

If there are any crooks mixed up in

jail the minute they learned Hughes

Wonder if that applies when the

If it does not it lets out a lot of

The war stopped but the Red Cross

fellows who want a good excuse to

. . .

getting pleasantly liquored up.

is to run the investigation.

rigger gigs no fish?

line.

make plans for a long sojourn in soon.

should be willing to unmask its designs thus frankly at the present stage of the war. Either the military chiefs of the German empire are still confident that they can smash the Entente this year, before the United States can bring its force to bear, or the political offensive which has come to light within the past few days was started in such a way that it could not be halted when the initial drive against WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING. the west front spent itself, with the result that the political movement outran the military.

But the war is not going to end the way the Potsdam year, printed in The Sun yesterday, politico-scientific strategists fully expect it will. Austria and Hungary, as well as Lithuania and Finland, which has not yet formally been drawn into the Hohenzollern net, but would be if the Germans were to win the war, are sum subscribed in response to the apall going to be saved from political extinction. That much peal of last June was in excess of was made certain when America entered the war.

Instead of waging the most successful predatory war on record, Wilhelm is going to go down as the most spectacu- available for appropriation, of which lar failure that ever figured in history. With an ambition all but \$10,000,000 had been approwhich makes that of Alexander seem moderation, and the priated on April 15. A large sum, trumost perfect fighting machine ever built up he overshot the mark and drew in a foe which will permit of no suspension of hostilities until its object is attained and will listen to no compromise or half way measures even if the Central powers throw up their hands. It was a fatal mistake, as he the Red Cross has worked. France, probably will find out before may more weeks, for the Belgium, Italy, Russia, Roumania, Serpolitical situation in Europe is hurrying to a crisis of some land and Canada, as well as this counkind with a speed which is in marked contrast with the try. And then consider the variety of military situation.

WHERE A PROPHET FAILED. WERE the great Napoleon alive, he'd feel pretty silly over having written, at St. Helena: "All Europe will soon be either Cossack or Republican."

But the great Corsican was a sick man at that time. Gallstone colic, atrophied liver, or something equally confusing made him mention Cossacks, instead of Teutons. But Napoleon was not without grounds for his belief in gical dressings, bandages, compresses; Cossacks, although decidedly erroneous, as is usual with sweaters, helmets, socks-these are prophets, in basing his prediction on what had been.

History furnishes little more astonishing than the comparison of the Russia of today with the Russia of four April:

Less than three-quarters of a century ago, Russia was the avowed and asknowledged champion of monarchy against and seven canteens on the French democracy. In compartively recent years, she has crushed the Hungarians and practically made Austria a dependent. meals. She took from Sweeden more territory than she'd left her. Her acquisitions from Poland were as large as the whole pital with 200 beds in a chateau imof Austria. She wrested from Turkey in Europe territory larger than Prussia, and from Turkey in Asia territory ports. It worked on the erection of a larger than the states of Germany, Belgium and Holland hospital of 500 beds at a famous race combined. From Persia she took a chunk the size of track near Paris. She had advanced her frontiers 800 miles towards Vienna, Berlin, Dresden and Munich, 400 miles to Military Hospital No. 1, 100 to Milinearer Constantinople and was a thousand miles nearer tary Hospital No. 2 and 60 to Military India than in earlier times. And her increase in population Hospital No. 3.

It is pretty difficult to believe that at the middle of the last century Europe was in as great terror of Russian do- distributed gratis. Much assistance minion as it ever has been fearful of the Teutonic, but such was given to a large number of French

Russia today doesn't herself know what is hers or where she's going. However, she's strongly headed away from autocracy, and it will be a long, long time before she'll rehabilitate Napoleon's standing as a prophet by making sheets, 1,200 sweaters, 325 beds, 10,all Europe "Cossack," or republican either, for that mat- 538 suits of underwear, 1,456 blankets

The Democratic State Executive committee at its session in Parkersburg yesterday adopted a resolution and appointed a sub-committee looking to an understanding has a capacity of 25,000 men weekly. with the Republicans of the state whereby the present delegation from West Virginia to the lower house of Congress shall be returned without a contest. That ly. Six field kitchens, each with a caputs a matter that has been much discussed into official pacity of 5,000 men daily, were opened form and it is the duty of the Republican state organ- to furnish food for soldiers going to ization to consider it in good faith. The Republicans and returning from the battle front. now have four votes in the House to the Democrats' two, bacco and packages of cigarettes. but aside from that anything that will have a tendency to reduce partisan rancor to a minimum is entitled to can hospital centers. patriotic encouragement. It may be that objections which the Republicans of West Virginia consider sufficlent will develop to prevent this proposed truce from advanced one of the French army furbeing entered upon, but it at least should be thoroughly nished food, drink and supplies of all as any county in the state. and sympathetically discussed.

It may be doubted that anything more calculated to inspire popular confidence in the sincerity and thoroughness of the Department of Justice inquiry into the aircraft matter could have been hit upon than the selection of Charles E. Hughes to act with the Attorney General. The fine way in which Mr. Hughes has thrown himself into the war work, devoting his remarkable talents and splendid legal training is highly essential, but inconspicuous positions is one of the finest things in our history. It proves the his personal character and his patriotism are as fine as his legal abilities, which is saying a whole lot for both. Now he has been called upon to undertake this difficult and important but that that sum should have gone work, and he has consented without the slightest hesi- so far. tation. When Charles E. Hughes gets through with the aircraft muddle it will be as clear as day and the people will know all about it. will know all about it.

Well, the aerial mail service made a fine "get away." Wonder how long it will be before parcel post will come in the same way? Not long perhaps. There are plenty of men young enough yet to join the army who can remember when a telephone in a dwelling was a great

General Goethals, acting quartermaster general, has president of the Red Cross. It does a adopted the zone system for the purchase of supplies for the training camps and the army. There are thirteen zones and all the supplies for the camps in each one will be bought within the limits. It is altogether probable that this will prove to be a greater relief to submarines could be sunk, but for the shipping conditions than the zoning of coal distribution. The cross hauling of government supplies has been one of the most pernicious evils with which the transportation people have had to deal, and an incalculable amount of loss to general business has grown out of it.

That W V. U. baseball team is the tic State Executive committee in the

If the Athlet's committee had

Wonder if they are tired of the war?

As far as the men in the ranks are

But they are gonig to be darned

. . .

concerned they probably are.

get out.

history of the state." Which shows that either the reportknown in advance how good it was er does not know enthusiasm when with other West Virginia teams meeting of that body during the days fare of this kind can have. the aircraft affair bet they began to would not have been interrupted so when the state was good and wet.

. . . Not to imply, however, that Park-On Monday next it will be three ersburg is exactly dry even now. weeks since the Teut infantry struck "Gigging fish is unlawful"-Head a lick on the West front.

Far from it: far from it.

0 0 0 But with the nearest bar room several miles up the river it is longer between drinks than when it is under the same roof.

apond a night out playing poker and sick of it before they are permitted to enthusiasm. And that makes a difference in the

greatly enjoyed by the ardience. In It has been estimated that if the Astonisher special from Parkers- forests of the earth were completely seems only now to be getting its gait. burg says yesterday's meeting of the stocked and scientifically worked they Demmy state committee was "possi- would yield annually the full equiva-Next week you will be able to show bly the largest, most enthusiastic and lent of 120 times the present con-

Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

May 16, 1918.

From the Baltimore Sun.

That statement showing the expenditures of the Red Cross for the last constitutes an amazing record. Some people have been asking what the Red Cross did with the \$100,000,000 raised a year ago. As a matter of fact, the \$110,000,000. Seventeen millions of this went back to the chapters raising it for local work. This left \$92,000,000 ly, this \$82,000,000; but considering the variety of work done and the extent of territory covered not too large-not large enough, in fact!

Consider first the territory in which bia, Armenia, Poland, Palestine, Engwork. Hospitals, conteens, rest-houses; ambulances, medical and surgical supplies, care of convalescents; relief of soldiers' families, disaster emergency service; food for starving children and refugees and prisoners; reconstruction of villages and general relief work in devastated areas; care of tubercular patients and the prevention of tuberculosis; transportation, sanitary service, guarding cantonments; surscme of the items.

Here is a brief summary of what the Red Cross did in France alone in

It established nine rest stations on the American lines of communication metropolitan canteens served 454,000

It established a complete new hosmediately behind the front. It established three more dispensaries at

It added 80 beds to an American hospital in Paris, 75 to one at Neuilly, 100

It opened convalescent homes at Cannes and Biarritz. Nineteen artificial arms and 169 artificial legs were hospitals, with special attention to those containing American wounded. These hospitals received 543 boxes, containing 2,500 surgical instruments, 1,000 mattresses, 4,500 pillows, 4,592 and 1,200 shirts.

It established a shower bath institution for Americans at the front, with equipment for removing vermin, which was put into operation in six days. It Two laundries were installed at aviation camps of sufficient size to wash the clothes of a thousand men week-It distributed 691,000 bags of to-

It operated fourteen farms at Ameri-

It supplied 425,000 hot drinks in fourteen traveling canteens in the auvanced sections. Six canteens in the kinds free for 450,000 American, French and British soldions.

It took over all the relief and entertainment work at all hospitals, relieving the Young Men's Christian Association of a large amount of work which it had been doing.

In the meantime all its other activities went on at full swing.

Considering the magnitude of the work the wonder grows, not that \$80,-000,000 should have been required for this eleven months' work in all of these lands, at a time when the cost of everything has risen so tremendously and under conditions which required prompt work at whatever cost,

Remember these things when you are asked to subscribe to the new fund of \$100,000,000 for which an appeal is now made. Or rather, don't wait to be asked. Go to one of the booths that were opened in various sections of Baltimore yesterday and hand in your subscription. Count it a privilege and

And remember this also. The American Red Cross is, by act of Congress, the official medium of communication between the people of the United States and their army and navy. The President of the United States is the work that is just as important in the prosecution of the war as firing guns or going over the top or sinking submarines. In fact, no guns could be fired, no men could go over the top, no work of the Red Cross. It is absolutely essential. The army and the navy would collapse tomorrow if it ceased its efforts.

This means that your boy, if you have one in France, would inevitably suffer or die if the Red Cross did not lend him its helping hand. It means that he will be made the less comfortable in exactly the proportion that full support is withheld from the Red Cross. It means that with full support accorded it he will have every going to be maybe athletic relations he sees it or he never attended a chance that any man engaged in war-

And, in a true sense, we all have boys in France. These splendid young men are fighting for us; they are suffering hardships and risking their lives for us. They are all our boys. Will we go back on them?

dances, drills and songs tentured the

program. The Junior public school

orchestra mad its initial appearance

on this occasion and rendered several selections in a splendid tosmpar.

SCHOOL PLAY A SUCCESS. A large audience was present last evening at the White school auditorium to witness the piay entitled "Unle Sam's Visit" which was given by the pupils of that school, The play was a pronounced success and was greatly enjoyed by the ardience. In addition to the play a number of folk

Two thousand car loads of German agricultural machinery are to be sent to Russia this spring to be used in growing food for Germany according to the Breslau Volkswacht. A large quantity of plows and machinery on the way to Holland has been sent to Russia instead.

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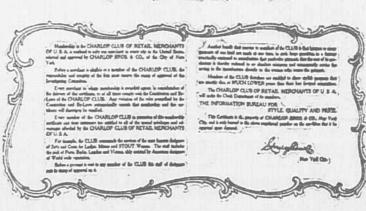
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What People Say

and Some Side Remarks

H. H. Marsh, division freight agent of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad,

who spoke at the meeting of the Fairmont Coal Club yesterday, touch-

ed on embargoes, saying:

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

True Values

MARION COUNTY WOMEN THANKED.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 13 .-Editor The West Virginian.]-From a standpoint of news, we are late in making public acknowledgement of the services of the Woman's Liberty Loan committee of the city of Fair mont and of the county of Marion and towns thereof. It has been due to the overwhelming routine that followed the concluding of so splendid a drive in France. made by the women of forty-one counties of the state which resulted in a dred and two thousand dollars to which Fairmont and Marion county were among those carrying off the laurels, holding third place and making as high a per capita contribution

Withal it was a glorious victory for the state and nation and the women have demonstrated not only their loyalty, but great efficiency in doing valiant and necessary service toward winning the war.

Like the other counties of the state, we rejoice that this women's organization, hold themselves as did the Minute Men of 1776, ready to answer their country's call "upon the alarm." and that the work of the Red Cross, the Council of Defense, War Savings and Thrift stamps, census taking, food conservation, the next bond sale or other agencies of the war will find them ready to give as faithful account of themselves as they did in the bond sale concluded so successfully on May

The money raised was probably the least service rendered by a noble band of organized women in West Virginia. They have carried into the homes of the state the spirit of patriotism. They have taught the lesson of conservation that will preserve our rescurces for future exigencies of our soldiers and our allies. They have laid the foundation of thrift that will enrich the nation. They have built up a morale at home that will not only sustain, but will be reflected in our army. They have sent the message to the enemy that the women of West Virginia will buy and sell bonds

"As long as our country needs a gun To charge upon the advancing Hun." And that for the state it can always he said that

West Virginia whom Freedom bore Is yet on guard at Freedom's door." Personally, we wish to thank each Mrs. J. A. Meredith, who called the roll of your patriotic women who has had prescribed. tened to answer "Here!" and those to me to be filed with the records of

It has been a privilege to have been a part of such wondrous achievement and promise as the women of West Virginia have wrought and for it we will always be grateful as well as for the faith you now have in yourselves and pleasure in duty well done.

Cordially, LINA SIMPSON POFFENBARGER, (Mrs. George Poffenbarger), Chairman Woman's Liberty Loan Committee, West Virginia.

addition to the play a number of folk

Children Cry

Stoetzer, of the First Presbyterian church, will officate at the services Antonio Ciotola and the body will be interred in Wood-Home on Furlough lawn cemetery by Undertaker Cun-

Antonio Cioltola, one of the Fairmont boys to leave this city on March 4 for Camp Greenleaf, later transferred to Camp Upton, N. Y., arrived in Fairmont yesterday to spend a several day furlough with local friends. He is well known here having been engaged in contracting work before entering military service.

He is in the medical department and likes his work fine. Two of the men laving this city in his contingent Frank Everest and Curt Amos are now

Mrs. Summers' Funeral Friday. Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Summers whose death ocurred yesterday will be held on Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at her

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mends it to everyone and says the

and it was so pleasant i started giv. drug store, Mountain City Drug Co. or ing it to the children as a tonic, and 'Hall Drug company.

not feeling well," continued this farmer's wife, who, like thousands of other ers, endorses Hypo Cod. GENUINELY GOOD REMEDY.

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